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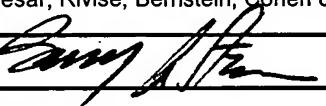
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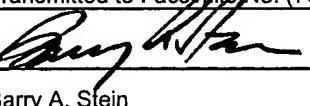
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For: MANUFACTURING METHOD OF ROD WITH OPTICAL THIN FILM AND ROD
BLOCK FOR USE IN THE METHOD

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Please advise us of the status of the above patent application and when we may expect to receive the first Office Action.

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